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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if more than one name is listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled									
Dust-free, epoxy-containing stabilizer granules and the preparation process									
which is described and claimed in:									
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